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### PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

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Hon. Commissioner:

The Applicant respectfully requests the Commissioner to make this application special and to advance its examination ahead of its normal turn, under the provision of 37 CFR 1.102 (c).

The systems and methods for circulating water in a piping system according to the present invention represent a great advance in the science of potable water distribution. These systems and methods offer a long-sought solution to water stagnation in a municipal water distribution system. Therefore, this invention will materially enhance the quality of the environment. Most importantly, the systems and methods according to the present invention will enhance the health, and the overall quality of life of those being supplied in water from a distribution system having one of these systems or methods. It is truly believed that an early examination of this application and the publication of a patent for the systems and methods according to the present invention will allow an early commercialization of this invention, to the benefit of the public at large.

Respectfully submitted,

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